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2006 CONSERVATION CONGRESS SPRING HEARING RESOLUTION

PROBLEM: low beaver population in southern Wisconsin

As the beaver population in the south and central zones have reached an all time low, trapping pressure, long seasons, and small blocks of habitat have taken their toll. While this resolves many problems for the landowners and the WDNR, beaver dams do have many benefits, from creating habitat for a diverse wildlife community, to being a constant water source during dry spells. Because of the benefits, I believe the WDNR should take steps to solve this problem.

BE IT RESOLVED the Wisconsin Conservation Congress at its annual meeting held in Wood county on April 10, 2006 recommends the WDNR shorten the beaver season in the south and central zones to begin on January 1st and closing on March 15th.

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